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TIME in its unremitting progress has brought us again to the anniversary of this Institution, which owes its existence to the claims of the poor. This class of citizens except in cases of sickness is rarely sought after or their acquaintance coveted, because they cannot advance our temporal interests or amuse with elegant dissertations, ingenious essays, or a detailed account of the fashions of the day, that serve to beguile the slumbering hours.

In the poor sad penury depresses their native energies of mind, which cherished under happier circumstances, might have rivalled the genius of a Newton or a Locke, or developed the philanthropy of a Howard.